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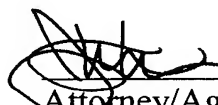
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**REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO RESPOND TO OFFICIAL ACTION**

Applicants, through counsel, respectfully request a one (1) month extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), or such other extension of time as is necessary, to respond to the Office Action dated July 6, 2005 currently due. Please charge the fee of \$120.00, and any additional fees or surcharges necessary to make this response timely, to the deposit account of the undersigned corporation, Deposit Account No. 03-3325, and credit any overpayment.

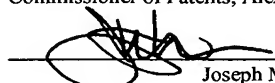
Respectfully submitted,

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